

Colonel Robert B. Abrams, an Army Brat who calls Texas home, received his commission from the United States Military Academy in 1982. His service includes key assignments as Commander, Delta Company, 1st Battalion, 8th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas; Commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 8th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas, and Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm; Squadron Operations Officer, 1st Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Bliss, Texas; Regiment Operations Officer, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Bliss, Texas, and Fort Carson, Colorado; and Strategic Planner, CJCS J7, Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

Colonel Abrams commanded the 1st Battalion, 8th Cavalry, "Mustangs," of the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas, from May 1999 to May 2001. He served as the G3 of the First Cavalry Division from 2002-2003. Following attendance at the US Army War College, he commanded the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, "IRONHORSE," at Fort Hood, Texas, and deployed the BCT to East Baghdad, Iraq, from March 2004 to March 2005. Following command of 1BCT, Colonel Abrams served as the Chief of Staff, 1st Cavalry Division. Prior to this assignment he served as the Executive Officer to the Commanding General, United States Army Europe and 7th Army.

Colonel Abrams holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from the United States Military Academy, West Point, New York; a Master of Science in Administration from Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, Michigan; and a Master's Degree in Strategic Studies from the United States Army War College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania. His military schooling includes the Armor Basic and Advanced Courses, Airborne School, Ranger School, the Combined Arms and Services Staff School, the Army Command and General Staff College, and the Army War College.

His awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, the Valorous Unit Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Combat Action Badge, the Parachutist Badge, the Ranger Tab, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge.